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<u>AMENDMENT</u>

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

January 7, 2004

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 7, 2003, please amend this application as follows: